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#### Order

Under Section 144 of Criminal  
Procedure Code, 1973

No. 42/2/MAG/GEN-ELN/ARMS/11-12/26

To,

The Public Generally,

Whereas, an announcement has been made by the Election Commission of India, New-Delhi to hold General Election to the Goa Legislative Assembly, 2012 and accordingly the Election is scheduled to be held on 03-03-2012 and directions have been given to ensure free, fair and peaceful Elections;

And whereas, in my considered opinion there is sufficient ground for exercising the powers vested in me for proceeding under sub-section (1) of Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973, and impose ban for carrying of all type of arms and fire-arms and other lethal weapons, to ensure free, fair, peaceful and orderly conduct of the Election process and to prevent obstruction, annoyance or

injury to any person lawfully employed or danger to human life or safety, disturbance of public tranquility or riot or an affray, during the electioneering;

And whereas, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not permit of serving in due time of the notices individually.

Now, therefore, I, R. Mihir Vardhan, District Magistrate, North Goa, Panaji, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section 144 of Cr. P. C., 1973 do hereby prohibit the carrying of all type of arms, fire-arms, ammunitions and lethal weapons, in any public place, street, road, squares, thoroughfare, by-lanes, or in any open place in the entire North Goa District, with immediate effect till Election process gets over i.e. 09-03-2012.

However, the above restrictions shall not apply to Banks/Public Servants/Police/Defence Personnel/Security Personnel on duty/Sports Person who are members of National Rifle Association of India and to those members of the Community who are entitled to display weapons by long standing law, custom and usage unless they are found to be indulging in violence or posing a threat to the maintenance of law and order and peaceful conduct of elections.

Given under my hand and seal of this office, on this 27th day of December, 2011.

*R. Mihir Vardhan,*  
District Magistrate,  
North Goa, Panaji.

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